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FM AMEMBASSY BANGKOK

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 3717

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FOR AMBASSADOR DEAN BROWN

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: SREF, TH, CB

SUBJECT: MOVEMENT OF KHMER REFUGEES

1. WE HAVE JUST BEEN INFORMED BY MACTHAI THAT THEY HAVE RECEIVED COPY OF AN IMMEDIATE JCS MESSAGE TO CINCPAC, MARKED 030032Z, WHICH INSTRUCTS CINCPAC TO INITIATE ASAP MOVEMENT OF CAMBODIAN REFUGEES FROM UTAPAO TO GUAM. THIS IS EVIDENTLY IN RESPONSE TO OUR URGINGS FOR SUCH AN AIRLIFT AND WE ARE PLEASED TO HEAR OF IT. HOWEVER, IT IS NECESSARY TO POINT OUT THE FOLLOWING:

(A) WE HAVE BEEN INSTRUCTED TO MOVE THESE REFUGEES DIRECTLY TO CAMP PENDLETON WHERE THEY WILL BE PROCESSED FURTHER BY VOLAG REPRESENTATIVES ALREADY THERE AND WE BELIEVE WE SHOULD FOLLOW THAT COURSE.

(B) ICEM INFORMED US THIS MORNING THAT THEY NOW HAVE THE FOLLOWING FIRM SCHEDULE FOR AIRCRAFT TO MOVE THE REFUGEES TO CAMP PENDLETON:

6 MAY, DC-8 252 PERSONS

8 MAY, 747 380 PERSONS

6, 7, OR 8 MAY

MILITARY PLANE 250 PERSONS

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2. IF CINCPAC CAN LIFT THE REFUGEES TO CAMP PENDLETON
EARLY THIS WEEKEND AND YOU CAN SORT THIS OUT WITH ICEM
IN WASHINGTON, WE WOULD PREFER IT. (THIS WOULD ENABLE
US TO MEET THE THAI DEMAND THAT THESE REFUGEES BE ON
THEIR WAY WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THEIR ARRIVAL IN
THAILAND ON APRIL 3.) OTHERWISE, WE ARE SATISFIED TO
STAY WITH THE NEW ICEM SCHEDULE SET FORTH ABOVE. IT IS
ALSO IMPORTANT TO US TO NOTE THAT JOHN THOMAS, DIRECTOR OF ICEM,
AND HIS STAFF HAVE BEEN MOST COOPERATIVE AND HELPFUL. WE WOULD
NOT WISH TO DISADVANTAGE THEM. HOWEVER THEY MOVE, THESE REFUGEES
SHOULD NOT REPEAT NOT BE MOVED TO GUAM.
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